

Applic. No. 10/022,660  
Amdt. dated December 5, 2003  
Reply to Office action of September 5, 2003

Remarks/Arguments:

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1-4, 7-9, and 11-16 remain in the application. Claims 1, 8, 9, 11, 13, and 15 have been amended.

Claim 1 has been amended so as to provide uniformity for the easy-clean microstructure layer.

Claim 8 has been amended to include the subject matter of independent claim 1 and the subject matter of claim 8.

Claim 9 has been amended so as to include the subject matter of independent claim 15 and the subject matter of claim 9.

Claim 11 has been amended so as to provide uniformity for the spherical surface structure.

Claim 13 has been amended so as to include the subject matter of independent claim 11 and the subject matter of claim 13.

Claim 15 has been amended so as to provide uniformity for the easy-clean microstructure layer.

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Because the claims have only been amended to provide uniformity and/or to combine independent claims and dependent claims, applicants kindly request that the Examiner enter the after final amendment.

In the second paragraph on page 2 of the Office action, claims 1-4, 7-9, and 11-16 have been rejected as being obvious over Yokoyama et al. (U.S Patent No. 6,077,207) (hereinafter "Yokoyama") in view of Murray (U.S Patent No. 6,041,706) under 35 U.S.C. § 103. Regarding the rejection over the prior art a Notice of Appeal is being filed herewith.


The fee for 3 additional independent claims in the amount of \$256 is enclosed herewith.

If an extension of time for this paper is required, petition for extension is herewith made.

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Please charge any other fees which might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner & Greenberg P.A., No. 12-1099.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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